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Subject: FW: Q on NASA Wallops Flight facility "issue paper"

Attachments: ATT29298

#### Let me know the answers. Thanks

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Subject: Q on NASA Wallops Flight facility "issue paper"

#### Hi all,

As previously mentioned, we converted the awareness bullets into an issue paper. OLEM tweaked it but also have a few questions, see below. Please let me know any update by tomorrow 9 a.m.:

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To be clear and as we discussed, these are not fact sheets.

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Subject: RE: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Thanks – if you would please put these in individual word files so that we can edit and upload as needed. Thank you!!!

From: Nitsch, Chad < Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov > Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2020 3:45 PM

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Subject: RE: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Carolyn and Jennifer,

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R3 is submitting these sites to add to the Administrator's budget prep book for awareness (not concern). Thank you.

### Blades Groundwater Site, Blades, Delaware:

- Scoping of the remedial investigation is underway in anticipation of the NPL listing
- The Blades Groundwater Site was proposed for the NPL on November 8, 2019; the 60-day public comment
  period closed on January 7, 2020; with only four comments being received, none of which opposed the listing of
  the Site on the NPL. Current sampling has identified metals and PFAS in three public drinking water supply wells
  and eight residential wells.
- There is on-going, successful treatment of the Blades public water supply and residential wells to remove metals, PFOA and PFOS. The City of Blades' drinking water continues to meet Federal and State Safe Drinking Water Act standards, as shared in water quality reports.
- On December 5, 2019, Region 3 and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), hosted a public meeting in Blades to discuss the proposed NPL listing. The meeting was well received, and several media outlets were present at the meeting.

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Subject: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Good afternoon PADs/RCLs,

Following up on my discussion on today's OPA comms call and the RCL call, we are preparing for the Administrator's upcoming budget hearings. I understand that OCFO has already forwarded Tony's email below to your budget poc's, so this request may have already gone out. Please see additional information below and ensure that the RCLs/PADs are involved in the process and that the RA's office reviews and approves hearing issue papers before submittal to HQ.

#### Attached:

- 1. list of Members on four committees
- 2. <u>Draft</u> table of contents (TOC) for all issue papers (list is based on the Sept. 2019 HSST hearing prep, so will need to be updated. \*Priority issues for budget hearings are highlighted in yellow)
- 3. Template for issue paper format (no more than one-page)
- 4. OLEM spreadsheet of all member sites

**Site issue paper request:** The attached spreadsheet includes all sites by region, committee, member. Please review the list for your region ASAP and identify which sites warrant issue papers for Committee members. The list includes: all NPL (P, F, D), SAA, and LTRA. OLEM notes that the list does not necessarily capture removal sites or other high visibility sites that aren't on the NPL or SAA, so please let us know if they should be added.

Peter Wright, OLEM AA, would like the regions to review this list and affirmative identify those sites that they think need fact sheets. We do NOT expect a fact sheet for each one. Once you identify which sites should be included, we will pull those from the prior hearing and distribute for updating. Note that there are a few members missing on the spreadsheet that we will send tomorrow.

Other regional issues: Note that while the TOC currently lists regional "sites" we will modify this to be "issues" to include other high-level/significant issues for a committee member. Please identify any additional hot issues asap to OCIR Team Leads. Any additions need to be approved by the RA.

### Deadlines:

January 17: regions identify sites in OLEM spreadsheet that require issue papers due to OLEM, OCIR

January 23: regions submit RA-cleared \*priority issue papers due to OLEM, OCIR

January 27: RA-cleared (non-priority) regional issue papers + sites for awareness 1-2 bullets due to OLEM, OCIR

Submissions to: Carolyn Levine, Jennifer Wilbur and Meredith Sebring

Please let me know any questions.

Thank you! Carolyn

\*Priority issues were identified this week by regional & HQ staff

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Subject: Fact Sheets for FY2021 Budget Hearings

Importance: High

All, it is time once again to begin our annual budget hearing preparations for the Administrator. In an effort to help speed up this process I've included a list of all the program fact sheets we'll need for the Administrator's briefing binder based on previous hearing lists and incorporates topics that we produced previously. As with the Science Committee hearing from this past fall, we will be undertaking two binders to help the Administrator process the information in a couple of tranches rather than in a single bite.

Highlighted, in the attached are the factsheets that will need to be finalized by the programs by **COB on Monday, January 27**<sup>th</sup>, for inclusion in his initial binder. Additionally, should your programs have any suggested alterations to the Table of Contents, sans the highlighted portion, please feel free to let us know if you have any edits before this date.

The remainder of the factsheets, which will all be included in the final binder are due by **COB** on **Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

This year, in order to help streamline the update process, we will be using the Budget Formulation System, which your budget colleagues should already be able to access and provide the necessary edits to the individual factsheets. I've included folks from OCFO in case there are questions they are better suited to responding regarding the System or other budget specific issues. Also, please note to direct programs to work with OGC staff in the development of their documents to reduce the lag time between all of the reviews needed to finalize the binders.

Finally, attached is a draft example of a factsheet for formatting purposes. This is the same format that is found within the current sheets, so there shouldn't be much in terms of having to correct existing sheets.

Given the tight timelines, please let us know if you have any questions, receive any feedback or pushback from the programs within your respective remits, or need any assistance in encouraging the programs to complete their factsheets within the designated timeframes.

Most importantly, thank you for your efforts in advance, this is a team effort and will require all of us to accomplish this goal. Have a great day!

Best, Tony

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